WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An apparatus, comprising:

a membrane;

a button structure disposed on one surface of the membrane; and

a nib corresponding to the button structure and disposed on another surface of the membrane, wherein the apparatus is configured to be operatively coupled to a touchscreen display so that when a user applies a force to the button structure the nib contacts the touchscreen display so as to activate a virtual button being displayed by the touchscreen display.

2. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the membrane comprises a flexible and resilient material.

3. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the button structure comprises a translucent portion.

4. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the membrane comprises a fiber optic plate.

5. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the button structure comprises a haptic structure.

6. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the button structure is one of a plurality of button structures disposed on the membrane, wherein the plurality of button structures implement a QWERTY keyboard.

7. The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a lighting device to selectively illuminate the button structure.

8. The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a device to change a direction of a beam directed onto the device.

9. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the membrane is sized to be press fitted into a recessed portion of a mobile electronic device, wherein the membrane is disposed within the recess to position the nib in propinquity with the touchscreen display.

10. The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a sleeve to contain a mobile electronic device that includes the touchscreen display, wherein the sleeve is to position the nib in propinquity with the touchscreen display.

11. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the button structure and nib are slidably fitted to a slot in the membrane.

12. An apparatus to be operatively coupled to a touchscreen display for operating a virtual button displayed by the touchscreen display, the apparatus comprising:

a membrane; and

tactile means, coupled to the membrane, for selectively contacting a touchscreen display at a desired location in response to a force exerted on the tactile means by a user.

13. The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the membrane comprises a flexible and resilient material.

14. The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the tactile means comprises a translucent portion.

15. The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the membrane comprises a fiber optic plate.

16. The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the tactile means comprises a haptic structure.

17. The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the tactile means comprises a plurality of button structures disposed on the membrane, wherein the plurality of button structures implement a QWERTY keyboard.

18. The apparatus of claim 12 further comprising a lighting device to selectively illuminate a portion of the apparatus.

19. The apparatus of claim 12 further comprising a device to change a direction of a beam directed onto the device.

20. The apparatus of claim 12 the membrane is sized to be press fitted into a recessed portion of a mobile electronic device, wherein the membrane is disposed within the recess to position a portion of the tactile means in propinquity with the touchscreen display.

21. The apparatus of claim 12 further comprising a sleeve to contain a mobile electronic device that includes the touchscreen display, wherein the sleeve is to position a portion of the tactile means in propinquity with the touchscreen display.

22. The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the tactile means further comprises a means for slidably contacting the touchscreen display.